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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 3, 2001, please enter the following Amendment in the above-identified application:

In the Claims:

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Please cancel claims 5 and 25.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. A set of articles, each article comprising:

a body having an exterior surface with a certain color;

a polymer coating extending over the exterior surface, the coating having a color that contrasts with the color of the exterior surface, the coating including a certain region and also a certain area that is spaced from the certain region, the polymer coating presenting a genus identification mark in the certain area; and

a laser engraved identification mark formed within the certain region of the coating, the laser engraved identification mark being a species mark.

